

# Tempting Thursdays

Continued from page 1D

400 women show up and we can't let them all in," she said.

In Charlotte, there's only one other place where women can go to see a little beefcake - Rick's Cabaret. Unlike the women's revue, the men dance four days a week.

Michelle said many club owners don't cater to women because there is a misconception that women don't tip.

Michelle isn't worried about that and hopes in the future to expand Temptation Thursdays to two shows.

For more information, call (704) 724-9787.

MADEA CREATOR

## Perry takes success to book

By Victoria Elmore  
THE CHARLOTTE POST

Growing up, did you have a politically incorrect neighborhood grandmother, a big woman with a loud piercing voice who yelled at everyone?

Tyler Perry has given this woman, Madea her own stage in the book, "Don't Make a Black Woman Take Off Her Earrings."

Perry, 35, is a producer, actor, and composer. He took the nation by surprise when his plays "I Can Do Bad All By Myself," "Madea Goes to Jail," "Meet the Browns," and "Madea's Family Reunion," hit the stage. "Diary of a Mad Black Woman" grossed more than \$50 million in theatres, and \$2.4 million on DVD. "Madea" Mabel Simmons serves as narrator in Perry's book. Simmons claims her insight comes from her mother, Big Mabel Murphy, better known as "Madea Over the Top."

Madea is a blunt woman who speaks openly about love, life, and relationships in the book of unrestrained commentaries.



PHOTOMADE NASH

"A RIVETING, SENSATIONAL, IMPORTANT THRILLER WITH PERFORMANCES OF A LIFETIME BY SAMUEL L. JACKSON AND JULIANNE MOORE."

Larry King

★★★★★!

A SHOCKING PSYCHOLOGICAL THRILLER, BREATHTAKING PERFORMANCE AND UNFORGETTABLE PERFORMANCES, WITH TWISTS AND TURNS THAT WILL LEAVE YOU BREATHELESS. SAMUEL L. JACKSON IS BRILLIANT. JULIANNE MOORE IS EXTRAORDINARY."

Earl Ofeman WIRELESS MAGAZINE

★★★★★!

MOVING AND GRIPPING! 'FREEDOMLAND' IS A HEART-STOPPING, RIVETING AND UTTERLY COMPELLING FILM. SAMUEL L. JACKSON DELIVERS ONE OF THE FINEST PERFORMANCES OF HIS CAREER AND JULIANNE MOORE IS SUPERB."

Shawn Edwards, FOX-TV

**SAMUEL L. JACKSON**  
**JULIANNE MOORE**

**FREEDOMLAND**  
THE TRUTH IS HIDING WHERE NO ONE DARES TO LOOK.

REVOLUTION STUDIOS PRESENTS A SCOTT RUBIN PRODUCTION "FREEDOMLAND" IN ASSOCIATION WITH...  
NON-LEADERSHIP FOR THE CHANGE AGE...  
REVOLUTION STUDIOS...  
COLUMBIA PICTURES...  
STARTS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

AMSTAR ANTHEATER 14 1717 EAST 3RD, WOODBRIDGE 704-799-5744	AMC CONCORD HILLS 06 CONCORD HILLS BLVD. # 1-06 643-8968	REGAL CINEMAS MOVIES AT BRIDDALE 16 1777 DOTT RD. NORTHERSVILLE BRIDDALE COMMONS PARKWAY 995-7977	STARLIGHT CINEMA 14 1717 EAST 3RD, NEXT TO YERGEN AIRPARK THEATRE 800 FARM ROAD #1149 540-7575
CONSOLIDATED 9 THEATRES CAROLINA 19 1400 W. 10TH ST. #100 55-1070	REGAL CINEMAS CROWFOOT STADIUM 18 1000 W. 10TH ST. #100 800 FARM ROAD #1149	PHILLIPS PLACE 10 TRADING AT SOUTHWALK 55-1070	REGAL CINEMAS 08 STONECREST AT PIPER GLEN 08 1400 W. 10TH ST. #100 800 FARM ROAD #1149
AMC CAROLINA RAYLSON 02 1400 W. 10TH ST. #100 643-8968	AMC NORTHLAKE 14 7700 NORTHLAKE HALL DRIVE 704-643-8968	CHECK DIRECTIONS OR CALL THEATRES FOR INFORMATION. SCORE: NO PRIZES ACCEPTED FOR THIS ENGAGEMENT.	

AND AT A THEATER NEAR YOU

## Robinson's realism mirrors life hard moments

Continued from page 1D

librarian would sneak him into the white library on Saturday mornings before it opened and he say books that included paintings of black people by Thomas Eakins and Winslow Homer. When he works large in graphite, Robinson, for example in "What Gun Control?"

a drawing of a law official holding a knife and wearing several pistols reminds me of the North Carolina artist Talmade Moose.

Robinson states that Andrew Wyeth is an early influence. However, where Wyeth is so much about technique and surface I like Robinson better for the way he loves his subjects.

### Call The Charlotte Post for home delivery every week. (704) 376 0496

### The Historic Excelsior Club

921 Beatties Ford Rd. • 704-334-5709

"Extended Hours For CIAA"

• TUESDAY ... "FISH FRY" - Only \$5  
Doors Open at 5, Fish Fry at 6pm • Disco at 9pm

• WEDNESDAY "Why Not Wednesday?"

Martinis and Live Music with "Audio Form"

March 1st, 8pm, Doors Open at 5pm

"Members...It's Renewal Time"

• THURSDAY "DIRTY THIRTY THURSDAY"  
Lets get this party started right now!

• FRIDAY & SATURDAY The Best "DISCO" In Town •  
SUNDAY....Join us for an evening of soft music, and celebrating friends!



How could two men stand on common ground... 8500 miles apart?

Presenting 2 exhibits exploring the parallel histories and experiences between the American South & South Africa  
From Apartheid to Democracy, now - May 15  
Oh Freedom Over Me, now - May 28

Join us for a FREEDOM SONG LECTURE

Thursday Feb. 23, 7 p.m.

Sandra Thomas explores the Mississippi Freedom Summer & South African Freedom Struggle through stories and songs. Discover how struggles for freedom and human rights were and still are - the 'ties that bind.' \$4 for Museum members; \$6 for non-members. Call 704.333.1887 ext. 501.



COME TO UNDERSTAND

200 E. Seventh St., uptown Charlotte | 704.333.1887  
www.museumofthenewsouth.org | Parking at Seventh St. Station

## COCA-COLA "STUDENTS" OF THE MONTH The Frazier Triplets Seniors,

Phillip O. Berry Academy of Technology



Riana Jina-JoNelle,  
Ryan John  
& Rodrick James



Our 17-year old "Students of the Month," Riana, Ryan and Rodrick Frazier, all aspire to maintain their status on the A-B Honor Roll at Phillip O. Berry Academy of Technology. Enrolled in AP classes, they admit that sometimes it's a difficult task, but worth it. The three possess the natural likenesses of most triplets, but still have very diverse personalities. Riana is outgoing, talkative and finds psychology is her best subject. To that end, she found being president of the freshman and sophomore class, and F.B.L.A. as well as being active on the student council great steps to future successes. Riana's college choices include North Carolina Central, Winston Salem-State and UNC Greensboro.

Rodrick on the other hand, is an organized, meticulous silent go-getter and a self-motivator. To his credit, he was accepted by Johnson & Wales as a junior to enter their college program his senior year. Rodrick's college choices include Johnson & Wales and UNC Greensboro.

Ryan is the studious one. It takes a bit more to motivate him, but he can ace a test with an "A," often without studying. He's not shy, but doesn't need a crowd to define who he is. Ryan's favorite subject is biology, and he's looking to have a career in medicine. His college choices are Chapel Hill and UNC Greensboro.

The triplets participated in Love of Learning at Davidson College. Even there Rodrick's self-motivating personality led him to volunteer as president of the parents association when no adults would. When not studying, Riana enjoys dancing, Rodrick delves into computer design and photography, and Ryan masters his PlayStation. Since the age of two, all have been water sports fanatics.

Riana, Rodrick and Ryan are the youngest of Ron and Vonda Frazier's children. They have two older brothers. Ron, Jr. graduated with a law degree from Morehouse College, and is currently a branch manager for Bank of America, and Rashad graduated from Howard University with a degree in information technology, and is working with the family business, Alpha Alarms. The family attends Friendship Missionary Baptist Church where the triplets are very active teaching younger classes, singing on choirs and attending Lott Carey conventions.

As independent as they each are, the triplets realize as a team they have an even more dynamic level of success together.



Best Wishes "Riana, Ryan & Rodrick" from  
Coca Cola Bottling Company Consolidated of Charlotte

# YOU'RE INVITED!

## THE DAVE CHAPPELLE BLOCK PARTY

FEATURING DAVE CHAPPELLE AND SPECIAL MUSICAL GUEST

### CHECK OUT DAVE'S NEW MOVIE IN THEATERS MARCH 3RD

## FEBRUARY 26 • 7PM

### OVEN AND SOLD OUT!

ON SALE AT THE SECRET ARENA BOXOFFICE, ALL TICKETMASTER OUTLETS, ONLINE AT WWW.CELLARDOOR.COM OR WWW.LIVENATION.COM, OR CHARGE BY PHONE 704.522.6500. All dates, acts and ticket prices are subject to change without notice. A service charge is added to each ticket price.

A Live Nation Event